Easement

S-24 Littleton Long House Princess Anne private

c. 1830

Marking the southwest corner of South Somerset Avenue and Washington Street is a two-story, gable-front frame dwelling erected for Littleton Long around 1830, and more recently known as the May house. Like other examples in town, the Littleton Long house follows the Federal style design precedents established by Littleton Dennis Teackle during the first years of the nineteenth century. Instead of brick construction, the Long house was erected with a mortise-and-tenon frame skeleton sheathed with beaded weatherboards. The east or main elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade capped by a simple pediment, which is pierced by a bund window with radiating muntins. The floor plan follows in the same tradition with a transverse hall that fronts two rooms. The stair is fixed in the south end of the hall and rises against the first and second floor windows.

Littleton Long purchased a half-acre lot from Littleton J. Dennis, Henry J. Dennis and Robert J. Dennis in November of 1829, and presumably erected the house during the next few months. Littleton Long and his wife, Sarah, maintained ownership of the house and lot for the next forty-seven years, but finally transferred title to Ellen McMaster for \$2,500 in 1876. Ellen McMaster's two daughters, A. Louise Duer and Ellen D. Fisher, along with their husbands, sold the property to Gulf Refining Company in 1927, and in turn, Gulf Refining divided the house from the unimproved yard and sold the house and lesser acreage to Ida L. Pusey two years later. On the southern portion of the lot, Gulf erected a colonial

1. STATE HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY COUNTY Princess Anne INVENTORY STREET NO. W. Washington St. & Somerset S-24 Avenue (Moved to 11696 Church Street or PERIOD 1780-1800 ORIGINAL OWNER STYLE original use Dwelling Early Federal PRESENT OWNER Mr. Alfred May ARCHITECT BUILDER PRESENT USE Deserted WALL CONSTRUCTION Beaded Clapboard 3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE w/2 smaller 2½ Storey telescoping additions

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

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This is a clapboard house of the federal style with the pediment on the front. It appears that in this area of Maryland beaded clapboards were used as a decorative device well into Federal times. Thus one finds regular beaded clapboards on this house. The central door of the facade is very simple and the windows are six over six. The house is three bays wide. There is a simple but attractive oval window in the pediment with a sunburst design formed by wooden muntins.

There is also a door on the side with an overlight. The main house is three bays deep with two exterior chimneys on the rear, now enclosed in a smaller two bay deep 2 storey addition, which telescopes further into a smaller 2 storey 2 bay addition. There is an enclosed chimney at the rear of this addition.

This house is in the center of town next to a gas station and is now deserted and falling rapidly into ruin. The owner lives in Dover Delaware and has no interest in fixing his house. If left deserted for much longer, it will be irreparable. This should not happen for this is one of the better of the Federal style houses in Princess Anne.

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5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endongered

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6. LOCATION MAP (Plon Optional)

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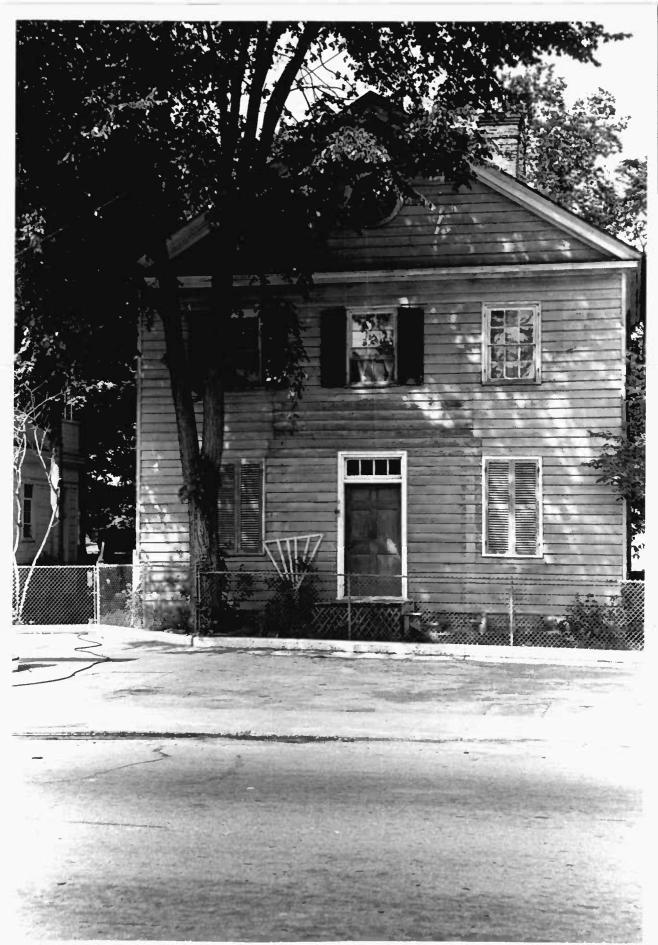




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